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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Rein et al. Confirmation No.: 8812

Serial No.: 09/980,727 Group Art Unit: 1615

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A WATER-

INSOLUBLE AMORPHOUS OR PARTIALLY AMORPHOUS CONTROLLED-RELEASE

MATRIX

Attorney Docket No.: 11390-009

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action, dated January 11, 2006, please enter and consider the remarks made below in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith (a) a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Dr. Hubert Rein; (b) a Request for Continued Examination accompanied by the appropriate fee; (c) a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(a) for an Extension of Time for Response for a period of five months from September 11, 2006 to and including February 11, 2007, accompanied by the required fee; and (d) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.